

Tree Board Meeting

March 8th, 2022

Parks and Recreation Office

4:00 pm

Tree Board Members present: Noah Smith, Bryan Stringer, and Brandon Scott

Members Absent: Jory Mertens

Staff Present: Mark Peterson

Non-Members: Jon Skinner

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm

Old Business:

1. Consider and approve minutes from previous meeting.
Bryan Stringer made a motion to approve minutes from last meeting. Motion Passed.

New Business:

1. **Consider and discuss Arbor Day 2022.**
Arbor Day activities will be on April 12th, 9 am and 1 pm at Fairview Elementary School. Mayor Rife will be asked to read the proclamation at the 9 am ceremony. Brian Bradley will provide supplies for the event. Jon Skinner and Tree Board Members who can attend will be present to plant the tree at each ceremony.
2. **Consider and discuss other events for 2022.**
Noah Smith visited with Kellogg Lake Board Member Jo Ellis about the two groups collaborating on a project at Kellogg Lake. This may include mulching trees and planting of trees. Details will be determined soon. The Park Department will provide mulch for the project.

Other Business:

1. Jory Mertens has resigned his position on the Tree Board. An announcement will be made to the public through the City of Carthage FB page and website requesting applicants.
2. The Tree Board has received a request to recommend tree plantings in parking lot beautification projects the city is taking on.

Bryan Stringer made a motion to recommend that John Pair Caddo Sugar Maple trees be planted. Motion passed unanimously.

Staff Reports:

1. Mark Peterson, Park & Recreation Director reported he will make the request for mayor Rife to attend the 9 am Arbor Day ceremony. If Mayor Rife is unavailable the Mayor Pro Tem Ceri Otero will be asked. Mark will coordinate with Melanie Blizzard to promote the Tree Board vacancy.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.